

PATENT APPLICATION Q62630

Group Art Unit: 1733

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Ken MASAOKA, et al.

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For: ASSEMBLY OF A PNEUMATIC TIRE AND A RIM, A

PNEUMATIC TIRE AND A RIM FOR A PNEUMATIC TIRE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three (3) months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated October 8, 2003, to and including April 8, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$950.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue Fee and/or the Publication Fee) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

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